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Waynesboro Nurseries Benefit By Patent On New Apple.

Patent Number 125, issued May 29th, 1935, as announced by the following telegram:

"WASHINGTON, D. C.,
MAY 29, 1935.

E. M. QUILLEN
CARE WAYNESBORO NURSERIES, INC.
WAYNESBORO, VA.

WE TAKE PLEASURE NOTIFYING YOU OF GRANT OF UNITED STATES PLANT PATENT NUMBER ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE COVERING YOUR RED YORK IMPERIAL APPLE STOP RECOGNIZED BY DEPARTMENT AGRICULTURE AND UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE AS DISTINCT NEW VARIETY CHARACTERIZED BY UNIFORM FULL RED COLOR DEVELOPMENT WEEKS AHEAD OF NORMAL TYPE YORK.

MASON, FENWICK & LAWRENCE,
PATENT ATTORNEYS."

was issued on a New Apple which is a sport of the York Imperial and patented under the trade name Yorking, differing from the York by being a Solid Red and coloring two weeks earlier. Every Apple on the tree colors a solid purplish-red. Even the Apples on inside of tree away from sunlight will pack 100% Extra Fancy so far as the color is concerned. Other than offering the advantage of a larger pack in Number One Apples at better prices, the Yorking does not scald in storage.

It is predicted that the Yorking will not only revolutionize the Apple industry in the Shenandoah-Potomac Area of Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania, but will extend the York area.

The Yorking is apparently even more prolific than the York Imperial, possibly because of its foliage being larger and more dense.

Fruit of the Yorking was exhibited by the Waynesboro Nurseries at a number of Horticultural Meetings during the past winter and 5000 trees have already been distributed among prominent fruit growers and Horticultural Experiment Stations in various Eastern States. Larger quantities of trees will be available for next fall and spring planting.

H. L. Price, Dean of Agriculture at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, recognizes the Yorking as a great improvement over the York Imperial. Quoting Dean Price in part:

"Unquestionably, the limb in question is the tree bud mutation of the York Imperial Apple. It is a great improvement over its parent in color and I am personally satisfied that there is a marked difference in foliage and a lesser difference in growth. To me, the limb seems to be more vigorous, which would naturally be the outcome of the faculty of producing more green chlorophyll. After seeing this limb and some young trees propagated from this wood, there can be no question about the distinctiveness of the Red York. I believe it represents a distinct improvement and will prove to be of outstanding value to those sections which grow Yorks in large quantities for the domestic market and for export. In fact, I consider this sport of equal importance to the appearance of Starking, Richared, Blaxtayman, and other red fruited sporting forms."

Professor A. H. Teske of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute says we have a real find in this bud sport. Quoting Professor Teske in part:

"I think you have a real find in this bud sport and I do not hesitate to say that the growers should avail themselves of the opportunity of planting the Yorking when planting York Imperial trees. In my opinion a grower would make a grave mistake to plant the common York Imperial whenever the Yorking is available. I will be glad for you to advise me as to the number of trees of the Yorking that will be available to our growers this year."

